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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

Applicant: Joseph FERNANDO et al      Docket No.: UNF-9058 A  
Serial No: 09/560,469      Examiner: HIEN TRAN  
Filed: April 28, 2000      Group No.: 1764  
For: Support Element For Fragile Structures Such As Catalytic Converters

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**REQUEST FOR ORAL HEARING UNDER 37 C.F.R. §41.47**

Dear Sir:

Appellants hereby respectfully request an oral hearing in connection with the present appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences in United States Serial No. 09/560,469.

The Examiner's Answer was mailed on September 9, 2004. Accordingly, Appellants respectfully submit that the present request for an oral hearing is timely filed.

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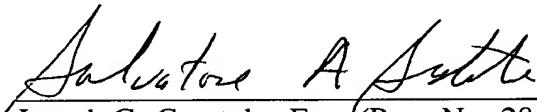
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Should the Board have any questions, Appellants' undersigned attorney would welcome a telephone call.

Respectfully submitted,



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